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In re Application of:

NIZARD et al.

Serial No.: 09/937,848 Group Art Unit: 1617
Filed: January 18, 2002 Examiner: S. Kantamneni
For: **COSMETIC COMPOSITION COMPRISING AT LEAST ONE
SUBSTANCE PROMOTING THE FORMATION OF CONNEXIN, USE
AND METHOD OF COSMETIC TREATMENT**

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REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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Examiner: S. Kantamneni
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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 9Aug. 16, 2000; Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.F. § 1.114

a. Previously submitted

- i. Consider the amendments(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 3, 2004.
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
- ii. Other _____.

c. Enclosed

- i. _____ Amendment/Reply
- ii. _____ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. _____ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. _____ Other _____.

2. Miscellaneous

a. _____ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) **required**)

b. _____ Other _____.

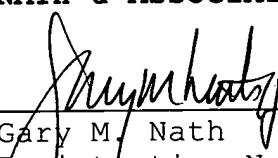
3. Fees

(The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed)

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Acct. No. 14-0112.

- i. RCE fee of \$ 790.00 required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e) is enclosed.
- ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. Other _____.

Respectfully submitted,
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